

Adult Literacy Contact Centre Newsletter



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PATHFINDER LEARNING SYSTEM

The **Pathfinder Learning System** developed for YES Canada, is a computer-managed, competency-based, mastery-learning system that provides individualized, self-paced learning to adults who wish to upgrade basic reading, writing, math, social science, and employment and life skills.

The Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training will be hosting a workshop on the **Pathfinder Learning System**:

December 8, 1988
Kwantlen College - 5840 Cedarbridge Way
Richmond, B.C.
Presenter: Allen Corxall, Program Specialist
Time: 7:00 - 9:30 pm
Contact Person for more information:
Gwen Armstrong, ABE Coordinator (☎ 387-6176)

If you are interested in attending this workshop, please call the Contact Centre at: 594-0664.

Allen Corxall will be in Vancouver, December 9-12, with a desktop version of the **Pathfinder Learning System**. Call Tanya Northcott at 435-1937 for further information.

TUTOR MANUALS

The first volume of **Learning Together: How To Tutor ESL Students** is now ready. This manual can be purchased through the Open Learning Agency, 7671 Alderbridge Way, Richmond, B.C., V6X 1Z9.

Telephone: 660-2221.

Learning Together: How To Tutor Literacy Students, Volume II will be available by mid-December.

The Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training will be planning a workshop on how to use the two manuals sometime in the near future.

1990 - YEAR OF LITERACY

If you would like more information about plans for UNESCO's Year of Literacy, please contact:

International Task Force on Literacy
Coordinating Office
Ste. 500, 720 Bathurst Street
Toronto, Ontario
M5S 2R4

PRISON LITERACY

If you would like a copy of the recently Published PRISON JOURNAL NO. 7: PRISON LITERACY, please write to:

Maureen Nicholson, Managing Editor
Prison Journal
Institute for the Humanities
Simon Fraser University
Burnaby, B.C. V5A 1S6

Enclose \$4.00 with your order

PROVINCIAL ACCESS COMMITTEE REPORT

Good News! The report of the Provincial Access Committee on Access to Advanced Education and Job Training in B.C. had as a high priority recommendation that "the colleges be provided, beginning in fiscal 1989, with supplementary funding to enable them to assume the direct educational costs of students taking literacy and ABE courses."

If you are interested in getting a copy of the Summary of Recommendations to this report, please call Gwen Armstrong, ABE Coordinator, Ministry of Advanced Education and Job Training (☎ 387-6176).

LITERACY AND YOUTH

The next meeting will be held on
December 6, 1988, 1-3 pm at the
Vancouver Sun Building

PROJECT LITERACY B.C. REPORT: INVENTING THE FUTURE

A report on the PLBC Consultation
which studied local involvement is
available by calling the Contact
Centre - 594-0664.

LITERACY MATERIALS

It has almost been one year since the completion of the **Adult Literacy Resource Information Package**. The **Resource Pak** has been very well received by those individuals who have requested it. We at the Contact Centre are hoping to continue to keep the information in the **Resource Pak** current and worthwhile. In order to do this, we need to hear from you about materials which you consider to be "prized" or "valued" literacy resources. If you come across any good literacy materials you would like to share, please send your suggested titles to the Contact Centre.



The staff at the Contact Centre would like to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas, a Prosperous New Year, and a Joyous and Safe holiday season.

See you all in 1989!!



Next Project Literacy B.C. Meeting **Important Meeting** **Please Plan to Attend**

Agenda Items:

- *To determine the future direction of PLBC*
- *To select a new chair person*

January 27, 1989, 10:00 am
Douglas College, 4th Floor Boardroom
8th Street and Royal Avenue, New Westminster
(End of SkyTrain)

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Suggestions

If you have any notices for upcoming newsletters, please send information to the Contact Centre before the last day of each month. Call Cherie Layne if you have any questions.

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